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1. In July 1953, following the announcement of the "New Course" in East Germany, work in the Schoenebeck/Elbe factory on the expansion of the munitions plant was suspended. In October, this expansion work was resumed with a complement of 1,500 workers.
2. Construction is in progress on three reinforced concrete buildings and on the assembly of equipment for the manufacture of rifle and machine gun ammunition.
3. The Schoenebeck/Elbe factory employs approximately 4,000 workers. Three thousand of these are employed in the manufacture of material for the Russian Army and 1000 are engaged in producing material for the East German Volkspolizei.

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